Rio means so much to me.

She's my best friend.

I thought we would be friends forever...

I LOVE YOU... YUI.

I CAN'T...

BE YOUR FRIEND ANY-MORE.

...RIO ...?

HURTS TOO MUCH TO BE AROUND YOU NOW...

—IT ...

...THEN LET'S GO OUT.

But...

I never want to lose her to anyone else,

and she means more to me than anyone.

I don't know if this is love

Rokuroichi

RIO...

LET'S... GO HOME NOW... OKAY?

twitch

MM ...

...OKAY.

I first met Rio back in Junior high.

We became fast friends.

Okay!

Want to come over today?

I was happy...

I liked her so much...

YEAH.

YOU'RE MY FIRST BEST FRIEND, AND I'M YOURS.

HER HAND FEELS LIKE A STRANGER'S ...

of her hand. I'd gotten used to holding it. But...

I didn't want to let go...

...OH. NO, I CAN'T TODAY... MY DAD'S COMING HOME EARLY.

HUH?

gasp

HEY, YOU WANT TO COME OVER?

that would be it for us.

was scared that if I turned her down...

.....

prickle

I CAN'T... BE YOUR FRIEND ANYMORE.

—IT... HURTS TOO MUCH TO BE AROUND YOU NOW...

.....

OH.

I...

I LOVE YOU.

YEAH ...

I was hurt.

...ME, TOO.

YUU!

But the truth is...

I'M SO GLAD ...

I desperately pulled her to me because I didn't want to lose her.

...THEN LET'S GO OUT.

It felt like she had betrayed me—...

Do I feel that way

because I'm not in love with her...?

Am I lying to her—?

BUT I CARE ABOUT HER SO MUCH...

SORRY... TOMOR-ROW'S NOT GOOD FOR ME...

WANT TO COME OVER TOMORROW, YUI?

clench

If she touches me, she'll find out the truth. I just know it...

nudge

OH, GEEZ.

—ARE YOU OKAY? YOU LOOK PALE.

jerk

I'M FINE! I WAS UP LATE READING, THAT'S ALL.

MM...

HEY... WE'RE AT SCHOOL. WHAT IF SOMEONE SEES US?

BUT SCHOOL...

RIO,

WAIT ...

SEEMS TO BE THE ONLY PLACE WE CAN BE ALONE TOGETHER THESE DAYS.

WHY ARE YOU RUNNING AWAY...?

—YOU SAID YOU LOVED ME, YUI.

HEHE ...

...RIO?

FWIP

LET'S GO BACK TO BEING JUST FRIENDS TOMORROW, OKAY?

I'M SORRY, YUI.

IF IT'S GOING TO MAKE YOU FEEL THIS WAY.

BUT I CAN'T DO THIS ANY-MORE

I LOVE YOU...

hug

JUST KIDDING!

I know you're only scared.

Rio...

...THANK YOU FOR GOING OUT WITH ME.

NOW I KNOW HOW MUCH YOU CARE ABOUT ME... I'LL HAVE TO BE CONTENT WITH THAT.

Rio said she loved me,

it felt like she was negating all the time we spent together as friends.

When

LET'S BE FRIENDS FOREVER, OKAY?

—OKAY.

It was like

"my dear friend Rio" never existed at all

I LOVE YOU, RIO...

I felt betrayed..

IF YOU'LL BE MY FRIEND FOREVER.

THEN I'LL BE YOUR GIRL-FRIEND FOREVER.

smooch

HEY!

YUI?!

W-WE'RE AT SCHOOL, REMEMBER?

DO YOU... WANT TO COME OVER, THEN ...?

clasp

But Rio 's Rio.

because she meant more to me than anyone.

...YUI?

AH.

pant

I DON'T THINK I EVER REALLY HAD A PROBLEM WITH THE IDEA OF DOING THIS WITH YOU...

I WAS JUST AFRAID OF LOSING YOU AS A FRIEND.

YEAH.

YOUR SKIN FEELS GOOD, RIO.

slip

—ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE OKAY WITH THIS ..?

NH!

mip

AH!

suck

'CAUSE I NEED YOU, YUI.

YEAH...

slip

THAT'S NEVER GONNA HAPPEN..

creak

AH!

MM .....

Hub

AH!

I FEEL KINDA WEIRD...

AH ...

ABOUT DOING THIS WITH ME, YOU MEAN?

RIO...

UH- HUH?

UNH- UNH...

I MEAN I FEEL ALL TINGLY...

pant

I LOVE YOU...

YUI...

AND HAPPY...

AH!

MORE ...

MAKE ME... YOURS, TOO...

AH!

HN.. GH!

s/ch

YOU... BELONG TO ME, RIO. NOBODY ELSE...

YEAH.

YES...

MINE, FOREVER.

AH ...

don't know if I'm in love with her...

But... I still

clench...

what I feel is something bigger. Something that will never fade...

I think

WHAT IS IT?

MM.

I LOVE YOU. ♥

THE END

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I Don't Know if This is Love

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